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Applicant : William Martin Belef  
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Group Art Unit : 3738  
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Docket No. : 15457.4016  
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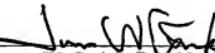
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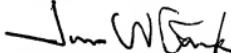
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